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Applicants: David John Watson et al.  
Serial No.: 09/378,666 Examiner: S. Nguyen  
Filed : August 20, 1999 Group Art Unit: 2877  
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PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby request a petition for a two-month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action issued on May 30, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the May 30, 2003 Office Action was originally due August 30, 2003.

The required fee for a two-month extension of time is FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS (\$420.00) for a large entity. A check for \$420.00 is enclosed herewith. Accordingly, a response to the May 30, 2003 Office Action is now due October 30, 2003.

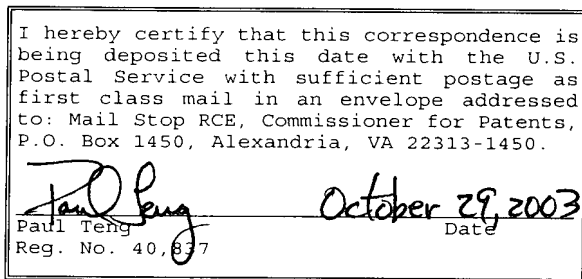
Applicants are filing concurrently herewith a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, including an Amendment To The Accompanying Request For Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 and the \$770.00 large entity fee for filing the RCE.

No fee, other than the \$420.00 fee for the two-month extension of

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time and the \$770.00 RCE filing fee, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition and the concurrently submitted RCE. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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